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1. Chamber of Computer Logistics People Worldwide

Special, 2012

Introduction

Chamber of Computer Logistics People Worldwide (CCLPW) is committed to advancing principled education policies and achieving sustainable development.

Aims and purposes of the organization

It aims to promote the need of higher education for youth and build a world with access to higher education at affordable prices.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

CCLPW has contributed to the work of the United Nations by attending various summits to galvanise support for its objectives. This includes addressing key conferences such as the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development and the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC) Implementation Review Group.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

This organization regularly attended meetings held in preparation for the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development which took place in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil on 20 and 22 June 2012. Representatives attended the Asia-Pacific Business Forum convened on 15 and 16 October 2012 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. CCLPW also attended the 23rd regular session of the Human Rights Council (HRC) convened from 27 May to 14 June 2013 in Geneva, Switzerland. It also provided inputs during the 69th session of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) as well as follow-up regional implementation consultations. Furthermore, it contributed to the discussions in the margins of the World Summit on the Information Society.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

CCLPW promotes the work of the United Nations Global Compact in 13 countries and is an active member of United Nations Academic Impact. It is also an institutional member of the network of education quality monitoring for Asia Pacific hosted by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). Moreover, it collaborates regularly with the World Health Organization (WHO) and has registered on the United Nations Sustainable Development Knowledge Platform to regularly attend related events.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

CCLPW launched an awareness campaign through its magazine titled "The Education Charter" which principally covers the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). It also organized various seminars and meetings with other universities and institutions to propagate the MDGs and to promote the cause of environmental protection. In September 2013, it organized an education for peace rally to celebrate the International Day of Peace where thousands of youth voluntarily participated. In June 2014, it organized a program for underprivileged children to commemorate the World Day Against Child Labour.

2. Les enfants de Frankie

Special, 2008

Introduction

Les enfants de Frankie helps and supports sick children in Monaco and the Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur region of France.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The association works to prevent disease and discrimination, in collaboration with communities, to ensure that the rights of the child are respected.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The association participates in the celebration of United Nations international days related to its aims. It has collaborated with the National Education Department of Monaco to organize workshops for International Children's Day. It has also provided social support by distributing educational materials and supplies and has organized a global campaign against poverty.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No information was provided.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

It works in partnership with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) to help eradicate poverty. It also collaborates with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization's initiatives are focused on education, poverty, health, inequality and sustainable development. Accordingly, the organization has financed

projects to prevent school dropout by addressing the problems of teachers at the local level and by providing material and financial solutions. It has distributed survival blankets in winter to those who need them. In order to promote maternal health, it has refurbished the art therapy premises of a facility for young mothers and their children under the age of 3 years. The association has introduced children to waste-sorting. It establishes and replants vegetable gardens and has offered workshops to raise young people's awareness of protection of the planet.

3. National Advocates for Pregnant Women

Special, 2012

Introduction

Established in the United States in 2001, the National Advocates for Pregnant Women Inc (NAPW) is a legal advocacy organization that advances the health, rights and dignity of pregnant women.

Aims and purposes of the organization

NAPW works to advance women's equal enjoyment of human rights and to ensure that women's fundamental human rights are safeguarded during pregnancy. Through a combination of legal advocacy, public education and grassroots level engagement, NAPW advocates for its clients, engages new audiences and promotes gender equality.

Significant changes in the organization

Since its reconstitution in 2014, NAPW has become a member of the New York Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) Committee on drugs.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

NAPW's mission and work ensures, inter alia, that laws for pregnant women are carried out in alignment with the United Nations' human rights treaties and conventions.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

During the reporting period, NAPW participated in the following meetings:

- 58th session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) where it organized a parallel event titled "Millennium Development Goal (MDG) 5: Innovative and Collaborative Efforts for Girls and Women's Health." New York, 13 March 2014;
- 59th session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) where it cosponsored a side event titled "Protecting Women and Families from the War on Drugs." New York, 18 March 2015;
- 13th United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, Doha, Qatar, 12 to 19 April 2015; and the

- Fifth informal Civil Society Hearing in preparation for the United Nations General Assembly High-Level Thematic Debate on Drugs, New York, 6 May 2015.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

NAPW submitted a civil society report for the 2015 Universal Periodic Review of the Human Rights Council. It also participated in civil society hearings with the Department of State in advance of the treaty reviews before the Committee Against Torture, the Human Rights Committee and the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD).

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

NAPW uses legal advocacy and public education to ensure that women are not criminally charged for terminating a pregnancy. This ensures that women are not subjected to discriminatory criminal laws and can access prenatal care and other health care without fear of repercussions.

4. Pan European Forest Certification Council

Special, 2004

Introduction

Pan European Forest Certification Council (PEFCC) is an international non-profit non-governmental organization dedicated to promoting sustainable forest management through independent third-party certification.

Aims and purposes of the organization

This organization works throughout the forest supply chain to promote sustainable management of forests and to ensure that wood and non-wood forest products are produced with respect to the highest ecological, social and ethical standards.

Significant changes in the organization

This organization enlarged its stakeholder constituency to include 12 new members. It also made minor changes to its statutes between 2012 and 2014.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

PEFCC contributed to the efforts of the United Nations by ensuring environmental sustainability through increased areas of certified hectares. Initiatives led by this organization assisted countries develop national forest certification systems and improved markets for sustainably produced, forest-based products.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

It participated in the following meetings:

- Second Stakeholder Meeting on the Action Plan for the Forest Sector in a Green Economy organized by the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) in cooperation with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), Geneva, Switzerland, 26 March 2012;

- UNECE-hosted 'Forests for Fashion — Fashion for Forests' to commemorate the International Day of Forests, Geneva, Switzerland, 21 March 2014;

- International Seminar on Sustainable Forest Management organized by the FAO/Mexican Government, Mexico City, Mexico, from 22 to 25 September 2014; and

- XIV World Forestry Congress Durban, South Africa, convened from 7 to 11 September 2015.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

The organization organized a meeting in the margins of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development held in Brazil in 2012. It is also a member of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)/Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) Timber Section Team of Specialists and jointly hosted an event on promoting decent work in forest certification during the World Forestry Congress in South Africa in 2015.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization supported goal 7 of the MDGs by integrating principles of sustainable development into country policies and programmes and thereby reversing the loss of environmental resources. With initiatives in developing countries in sub-Saharan African, Southeast Asia, Southeast Europe and South America, its efforts have contributed to the certification of over 270 million hectares of sustainably managed areas. This has enabled companies to deliver forest-based products to the growing market of "greener products".

5. Partnership for Indigenous Peoples Environment

Special, 2004

Introduction

Partnership for Indigenous Peoples Environment (PIPE) was founded in 1993 in Austria and has been headquartered in New York since 1997.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The aim of this organization is to promote awareness of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) as an international instrument for conflict resolution. PIPE conducts focused-based research and designs specific mechanisms to create frameworks for knowledge-sharing and promoting understanding of indigenous issues. It also promotes advocacy and protective action for environmental, political, socioeconomic and fundamental

human rights of indigenous peoples through workshops, seminars and media briefings.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

PIPE co-sponsored several conferences and media briefings on indigenous issues including the conference on United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) organized in Phoenix, Arizona on 26 December 2012. Since March 2012, PIPE also helped set up focal groups' activities and working methods in Ogoni, Nigeria.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the following meetings:

- 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th sessions of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues;
- The World Conference on Indigenous Peoples convened in New York between 22 and 23 September 2014; and
- 21st session of the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) held in Paris, France from 30 November to 11 December 2015.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

PIPE promoted advocacy for the due process observance established by the United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP) in the Ogoni region of Nigeria. It also conducted training for volunteers on compliance to due processes and developed local monitoring mechanisms for inhabitants to promote awareness and understanding of the work of UNEP and other United Nations bodies.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

PIPE implemented initiatives in poverty reduction and sustainable human development, promotion and respect for human rights, and local involvement in the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). It continued to support activities aimed at addressing basic needs, aspirations and development strategies for indigenous people including the mainstreaming of their needs into the population development agenda.

6. Peace Education Foundation

Special, 1996

Introduction

Peace Education Foundation (PEF) is committed to educating children and adults in conflict-resolution and promoting peace-making in homes, schools, communities, the nation and the world.

Aims and purposes of the organization

PEF considers that peace education encourages the emotional, intellectual, ethical and social growth of children within a framework of traditional values comprising of honesty, justice and responsibility. To support this aim, PEF trains teachers, youth group leaders, community leaders and professionals working with children in conflict resolution, violence prevention and mediation. Its curricular materials are composed of concrete tools based on the essentials of conflict resolution including: community building, understanding conflict, understanding the role of perception in a conflict, problem solving and decision making, the role of emotions and anger in conflicts and effective communication.

Significant changes in the organization

PEF is in the process of digitizing its curriculum to increase its international distribution. It has also begun partnering with universities in various countries in order to expand its outreach.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

It participated in the work of the United Nations and the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) in numerous countries, and primarily focused activities on the implementation of violence prevention and peace education programs in North America, Latin America and the Caribbean. PEF contributed to publicizing the "State of the World's Children" report drafted by the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF). It ensured alignment to the "Education for All" movement led by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). It also commemorated the United Nations International Day of Peace and organized peace rallies and parades during the reporting period.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

PEF's activities contributed primarily to goal 2 of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) calling for the attainment of universal primary

education. Through its projects, it contributed to early childhood care and education, promoting learning and life skills and improving the quality of education.

7. Peace Parks Foundation

Special, 2008

Introduction

Peace Parks Foundation (PPF) was established in 1997 by its founding patrons, the late Mr. Nelson Mandela, the late Mr. Anton Rupert and the late His Royal Highness Prince Bernhard of the Kingdom of the Netherlands. PPF presently operates in ten countries including Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Republic of South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The overall objective of PPF is to facilitate and coordinate the establishment and development of the Transfrontier Conservation Areas (TFCAs) in the Southern African Development Community (SADC) region. TFCAs contribute to safeguarding the integrity of biological resources while contributing to the development of tourism and poverty alleviation. This organization also promotes cooperation between governments that collectively seek to realise a culture of peace, stability and economic integration between nations.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

PPF contributes to the work of the United Nations by providing skills training and creating economic opportunities aimed at reducing poverty. It has invested in building human capacity and social cohesion through training, mentorship and placements. Covering an area of almost 900,000 square kilometres of conservation estate including 145,336 square kilometres of new estate, PPF has been instrumental in the validation of numerous international treaties and memoranda of understanding between countries. It has also established the Kavango Zambezi Transfrontier Conservation Area and three new national parks to meet the broader objective of conserving biological diversity.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

PPF has contributed to the attainment of the MDGs by underscoring nature conservation and the creation of economic opportunities to reduce poverty in the areas of its operations. It also promotes gender equality while empowering women and develops global partnerships for development.

8. People for Successful Corean Reunification

Special, 2012

Introduction

People for Successful Corean Reunification (PSCR) is a non-religious non-governmental organization founded in Seoul, Republic of Korea (South Korea) in 2006.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The organization aims to advocate for the rights of the people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) and to provide a platform to discuss democracy and human rights. It advocates for an end to human rights abuses in DPRK and ultimately to reunify the Korean peninsula.

Significant changes in the organization

PSCR recently set up an office in the United Kingdom of North Great Britain and Northern Ireland and established an education programme for refugees from DPRK.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

This organization launched a series of mentoring programmes including the "Human Rights and Democracy research" designed to garner support for the successful reunification of DPRK and South Korea. It regularly publishes reports on human rights violations in DPRK based on testimonies from defectors living in South Korea.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended various United Nations' meetings, contributed through oral and written remarks and convened side events during the margins of the Human Rights Council (HRC) sessions organized in Geneva, Switzerland. This includes hosting side events during the 19th regular session of the HRC convened from 10 to 28 September 2012; providing oral remarks during the 22nd regular session of the HRC convened from 25 February to 22 March 2013; providing oral remarks during the 25th regular session of the HRC which took place from 3 to 28 March 2014; and contributed through written and oral statements to the 28th regular session of the HRC held from 2 to 27 March 2015.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

This organization participated in the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) organized by the Human Rights Council in 2014. It has also cooperated with the Special Rapporteur and the Commission of Inquiry on Human Rights since 2013. It further contributed a report of the United Nations Women (UN Women) on human rights violations against women in detention facilities in DPRK.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

This organization's activities did not focus on specific initiatives in fulfilment of the MDGs, but rather on supporting the overall development agenda through advocacy and outreach.

9. People to People

Special, 2008

Introduction

People to People is a non-governmental, non-profit organization dedicated to improving health care and reducing the spread of diseases in Africa, particularly among vulnerable and disadvantaged communities in Ethiopia. It was founded in 1999 in Kentucky, United States of America and has offices in Canada, Finland, Germany, Sweden and Switzerland.

Aims and purposes of the organization

People to People aims at addressing social and health quality issues in Ethiopia by emerging as a bridge between affluent members of the Ethiopian diaspora committed to give back to their homeland. This organization is guided by a vision of Ethiopia equipped with an effective and sufficient health care system. It also partners with a number of western universities and institutions to organize annual summits that aim at building capacity and improving the quality of medical education and services.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

People to People has created a worldwide online discussion forum on health matters that enabled numerous professionals to exchange viewpoints. This forum also served as a useful communication tool for interaction amongst the diaspora. Moreover, it established a comprehensive boarding care centre to cater to 46 orphan girls infected with HIV/AIDS in good academic standing based in the rural town of Amanuel, Ethiopia.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives participated in the third International Conference on Financing for Development (FFD), convened in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia between 13 and 16 July 2015.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization contributed to MDGs through the following activities:

- Provided counselling to 17,808 youth in HIV/AIDS, reproductive health/family planning, education, finances, psychosocial support and birth control methods;
- Disseminated 27,023 leaflets and newsletters on reproductive health/family planning and HIV/AIDS;
- Conducted door-to-door health education benefitting over 5,020 individuals (1,560 females and 3,460 males); and
- Facilitated comprehensive care and support services to over 1,113 individuals.

10. People with Disabilities Uganda

Special, 2004

Introduction

People with Disabilities Uganda (PWDU) is a national, non-profit organization based in Kampala, Uganda which promotes peace and the rights of disabled individuals.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The organization seeks to promote peace and accessible living for all individuals, and its vision is to foster awareness and provide services that help improve the status of people living with disabilities.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

PWDU collaborates frequently with United Nations agencies and promotes activities aimed at securing equal opportunities for persons with disabilities. PWDU has continued to develop strategies to attend to the special needs of disadvantaged groups. Actions in favour of blind children, women, elderly and disabled continue to constitute key priorities of PWDU for the reporting period.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization attended the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth sessions of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities convened between 2012 and 2015.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

To contribute to achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), PWDU set up an advocacy programme to lobby with the Ugandan government to commit to inclusive development for persons with disabilities by providing good opportunities and removing barriers. It also annually commemorated the International Day of Persons with Disabilities on 3 December of each year.

11. Pesticide Action Nexus Association

Special, 2012

Introduction

Pesticide Action Nexus Association (PANA) is an Ethiopian residents' non-governmental organization committed to environment and development.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The organization seeks to achieve a safe and sustainable environment protected from harm posed by hazardous chemicals. It aims to, inter alia, promote shared responsibility and cooperation in environmental management among national, regional and international organizations; provide capacity building at different levels regarding the handling, usage and disposal of pesticides and other hazardous chemicals; and conduct research on public health and environmental impacts of pesticides and other hazardous chemicals.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Since 2012, PANA has undertaken specific activities to ensure sound environmental management as it relates to electrical and electronic waste management in Ethiopia. It has also advocated for the elimination of lead from decorative paints used in Ethiopian households. Moreover, it contributes to reducing pesticide dependency amongst cotton-grazing farmers by introducing agro-ecological solutions. It has also taken concrete measures to mitigate the impacts of pesticides on biodiversity in the Ethiopian Rift Valley and support climate resilient green zones alongside Akaki River in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the following meetings:

- United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil from 20 to 22 June 2012;
- United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) hosted Conference of Plenipotentiaries on the Minamata Convention on Mercury and its preparatory meetings in Kumamoto, Japan, from 4 to 11 October 2013;
- Third International conference on Financing for Development, from 13 to 16 July 2015, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia; and
- Fourth session of the International Conference on Chemicals Management held in Geneva, Switzerland from 28 September to 2 October, 2015.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

PANA cooperated with the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), the United Nations University, government entities and the Oeko-Institute of Germany on a study on "Electrical and electronic waste (E-waste)". It also took part in the "Lead Paint Africa Project" in collaboration with the Global Environmental Facility and the United Nations Environmental Program (UNEP).

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization implemented grassroots level activities and advocated on an international level for policy dialogue through forums in support of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), in particular goal 7. In December 2015, together with the International Positive Education Network (IPEN) and UNEP, it organized a workshop on the elimination of lead at the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) which led over 15 government representatives across Africa to agree on a reducing the quantities of lead in domestic paints as part of their national regulations.

12. Plataforma Portuguesa para os Direitos das Mulheres

Special, 2012

Introduction

Plataforma Portuguesa para os Direitos das Mulheres — Associação is a social, cultural and humanist non-governmental organisation established in 2004.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Its main objective is to foster cooperation for collective reflection and action for the promotion of women's rights and gender equality through research, lobbying, dissemination of information, awareness-raising and training.

Significant changes in the organization

The organization has expanded its partnerships by obtaining membership in institutions such as the National Commission of Human Rights, the European Union Civil Society Platform against trafficking in human beings and the Euro-Mediterranean Women's Foundation.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

During the reporting period, the organization was actively involved in the work of the United Nations. In 2013, it engaged in an initiative promoted by the United Nations Regional Information Centre for Western Europe (UNRIC) towards the creation of the Network of Civil Society Platforms. In 2014, it convened a public event focusing on the challenges posed on the future of the post-2015 Development Agenda. In 2014, jointly with the European Women's Lobby, it organized an event to mark 20 years of the Beijing Platform for Action. In 2015, it published a report in the Portuguese language on the activities in the lead up to the 20 year ceremony of the Beijing Platform for Action. It also produced a shadow report on the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW).

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the 59th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) convened in New York from 9 to 20 March 2015.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

In 2012, it co-organized a debate forum with the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the Portuguese Commission for Equality in Labour and Employment. In 2014, it joined UNRIC and civil society platforms on the raising awareness of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization contributed to raising awareness of government institutions regarding the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development by launching public statements on women's human rights and hosting workshops to discuss indicators of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

13. Plateforme pour le développement durable des caraïbes

Special, 2008

Introduction

The Plateforme pour le développement durable des Caraïbes focuses on humanitarian action and development assistance.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Its aim is to organize conferences on a regular basis to promote and encourage the sharing of experience and information and to prevent discrimination. Its activities are designed to improve the social environment by encouraging the active participation of all civil society groups in the global effort for post-2015 sustainable development.

Significant changes in the organization

It has established partnerships with organizations in North America, Africa and Asia.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The organization has contributed to the work of the United Nations by celebrating every year the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women, the International Day of Persons with Disabilities, the International Day of Older Persons, the International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction, the International Day of la Francophonie and the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization participated in the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, from 20 to 22 June 2012 and in the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly. It has also participated in meetings and in the drafting process for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization collaborated with the Department of Economic and Social Affairs in the context of convening the millennium events held in Canada in 2012, in New York in 2014 and in Haiti in 2015. The topics related to achievement of the Millennium Development Goals.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization guided a group of 400 young people in drafting the Declaration of Ottawa (Canada) on the subject of sustainable development and the Millennium Development Goals, a vision of the future for young people.

14. Population Connection

Special, 2012

Introduction

Population Connection (PC) is a grassroots population organization that promotes global population stabilization and universal access to high quality reproductive health services.

Aims and purposes of the organization

PC advocates for improved policies, increased allocations by the United States to global reproductive health services and rights initiatives, and increased funding to the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). The organization also educates the public on issues through its online magazine, website and lecture series. It produces curriculum materials for primary and secondary schoolteachers, and through the annual "Capitol Hill Days" training, it trains activists from around the country in advocacy and lobbying techniques.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The principal contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations has been its history as a champion for the mission and work of UNFPA. PC has extensively advocated amongst its constituencies for the continued and increased funding for UNFPA.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

In addition to participating in numerous civil society events, the organization attended the United Nations Sustainable Development Summit convened on 25 September 2015 in New York.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

PC regularly collaborates with other civil society advocacy and service delivery organizations to assist UNFPA to mobilize resources for reproductive health commodities.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

All of the organization's activities have been directly or indirectly in support of goals 3 and 5 of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). Through its programmes, PC has focused on: resource mobilization for global reproductive health and rights; improved policies on human rights and empowerment of women; removal of policy impediments to universal access to reproductive health services; and provision of information to the public.

15. Population Council

Special, 1972

Introduction

Population Council is an international non-profit and non-governmental organization that seeks to improve the well-being and reproductive health of current and future generations and to help achieve a humane, equitable and sustainable balance between people and resources.

Aims and purposes of the organization

This organization confronts critical health and development issues, from stopping the spread of HIV/AIDS to improving reproductive health and ensuring that young people lead productive lives. Through biomedical, social science and public health research in 50 countries, the Council delivers solutions that lead to more effective policies, programmes and technologies that improve lives around the world.

Significant changes in the organization

The Council nominated a new president in March 2015.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The organization is leading the United Nations Children Fund's "Comprehensive National Nutrition Survey in India" which aims to provide a robust national estimate of malnutrition in the 0-19 year population in the country, and reorient policy and use data as a baseline to evaluate progress of recently launched initiatives. Under the United Nations Population Fund's (UNFPA) "Survey of Young People in Egypt and C-section Analysis" the Council re-interviewed youth in Egypt to generate a dataset spanning prior to and after the revolution of January 2009. In 2013, under the "National Advocacy and Media Campaign on Population Related Issues and the Need for Family Planning and Birth Spacing Services" programme in Pakistan, the Council teamed with UNFPA and Contech to reach political parties prior to the election in order to make an effort to bring positive change in their understanding. With support from the United Nations Foundation, the Council led the Biruh Tesfa project in Ethiopia supporting vulnerable slum-dwelling girls by reducing social isolation and providing them with health information.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The Population Council has actively attended meetings of the United Nations to discuss ways to integrate population issues into sustainable development. The meetings include, among other, the "Expert Group Meeting on Fertility, Changing Population Trends and Development: Challenges and Opportunities for the Future" convened on 21 and 22 October 2013 in New York, and the 49th session of the Commission on Population and Development which took place from 11 to 15 April 2015.

Cooperation with United Nations system entities

In 2013, jointly with UNFPA, it organized a workshop to lay the foundation for UNFPA's "Action for Adolescent Girls" initiative. In 2015, the Council provided technical assistance to the "National Adolescent Fertility Study" in Zimbabwe, commissioned by UNFPA and the Zimbabwe National Family Planning Council to better understand the determinants and consequences of high adolescent fertility. In 2014, the Council supported UNFPA's "School-Based Quantitative Survey of Youth" in Kenya to increase the use of gender-responsive, integrated health services and the availability of sexual and reproductive health education.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

All activities of this organization have contributed to the overall achievement of the MDGs.